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# CAPT. DOVENER VERY JUSTLY INDIGNANT

At the Foul Slander on His Character Which Appeared in a Morgantown Newspaper,

## WHICH CONNECTS HIS NAME

With Congressman Freer's Misfortune-He Will Ask Author of the Lie for a Bill of Particulars.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25. Representative Dovener this evening denounced in unmeasured terms the author of an article which appeared in the Morgantown New Dominion of Saturday, and which reflected upon his The New Dominion states, among other things:

"Wednesday evening he (Freer) was to have left Washington for Preston county. His enemies knew of this, and with a devilish ounning Congressman Dovener got with the unsuspecting vic-tim. By the use of divers seductions was induced to taste again the wine that had proved to be his greatest enemy. When the time came for him to leave Washington he was mandlin, and missed the train."

In commenting upon this Mr. Dove-ner said: "That is an infamous lie, made up, without the semblance of au-thority, by an assassin of character. I propose to know who it is who has seen fit to assume the responsibility of making such a statement."

Freer Denounces the Statement. This emphatic denounciation of the story was made in Judge Freer's room, where Mr. Dovener and several others had gathered. Judge Freer turned to the Intelligencer correspondent and said: "The story is a lie through and through-absolutely without founda-

Mr. Dovener was justly indignant. He remarked that his relations with Judge Freer had always been the most cordial, they were comrades in the army, and had known each other for

"I do not care who originated the lie," he said, "I shall ask him for a bill of particulars. The publication was derous in the extreme."

Mr. Dayton stated to-night that he regarded the story as a pure fabrica-tion, a statement put out by Democrats to create discord in the Republican

## DEMOCRATIC POSITION

On the Shipping Bill-Members of That Party Favor the General Scheme, but Not the Present

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25 Representative Fitzgerald, of Massachusetts, the ranking Democratic mem ber of the house merchant marine com-mission, made the following statement to-day regarding the position of the Democratic minority on the shipping

subsidy bill: "I think that when the report sub-mitted by the Democratic minority on the shipping subsidy bill is presented it will be found that the members of that minority are in favor of proper legislation to build up the merchant marine of the country. The members of the Democratic minority realize as well as their Republican brethren the chaotic condition of the American merchant marine at the present time, and they are just as anxious to remedy the condition of affairs. The present bill formed by the Republican majority, while it is vastly superior to the origi-nal measure presented in the house and senate, is yet far from satisfactory. The present shape of the measure and the many good features that have been added to the bill since its first introduction can be charged up to the in sistence of the Democratic members that various portions should be amended. Two practical amendments, how ever, which have been asked for by the Democratic members, and to the support of which at least three of the Republicans volunteered-enough to make a majority in the whole committec-were defeated through the insistence of the ship owners' trust and the ctation of Senator Hanna, who told the Republican members that under no

consideration could either of the mendments be attached to the bill. The first was a provision to extend the time during which Americans could purchase foreign vessels for another rear. This policy as outlined is fa fored in the report of Secretary Cago advocating this amendment before the committee, I stated that I saw no reason why the privilege of buying foreign ships, which invoked at the same time the building of an equal amount of tonnage in American ship yards could be restricted to the few persons and corporations, who, being on the invide and knowing that this bill prob ably would become a law, have pur-chased foreign vessels and thereby secured a monopoly of this right. If it is a wise provision to allow the purchase of foreign vessels because of the added ork that would accrue to American ship yards, it seems to me that it would prove still more advantageous to allow more foreign vessels to be purchased for a year at least on account of the tre-

The second provision, allowing Amer leans to purchase foreign ships wherever they pleased, to place them under | the hat is said to belong to him-

in building American ablps in American

the American flag and operate them without any subsidy, was likewise de-feated."

West Virginia Personals. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25,— Representative Dayton, who has been

suffering for the past few days with a sprained back, is now considerably improved, and expects to resume his congressional duties to-morrow.
State Senator Starke L. Baker, of

Beverly, and Mr. Eugene Campbell, of Huntington, are in the city.

#### IS WELL BACKED.

The Uniontown, Waynesburg & West Virginia Backed by the National Tube, Federal and National Steel Companies.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 25.-The Post to-morrow will say: Immense corporations are backing the promoters of the Uniontown, Waynesburg & West Virginia Railroad Company. They see in it a short route to Chicago and the west, which to them means cheaper freight rates. The Federal and National Steel Companies and the National Tube Company have promised to give the new carrier enough business to keep it busy.

The distance by the new road from Uniontown to Wheeling is seventy-one miles, while on the Pennsylvania it is 113 miles, and on the Baltimore & Ohio 142 miles. Chicago is brought thirtyeight miles nearer to the coke regions of Connellsville and the distance between the Fayette fields and Cincinnati is reduced seventy-one miles. The new road will make connections with the Wheeling & Lake Erie and Cleve land, Lorain & Wheeling railways, Chicago will be reached over the Nickel Plate. The contract for the new road will be let within a month and work will begin in June. Just one track will be built.

Until now the project has been kept from publication in order to facilitate negotiations for right of way.

Elections of officers took place yes terday and resulted in August Jutte being named as president, Charles M. Buchanan treasurer, and J. H. Davis secretary. The directors are August Jutte, Jonathan Burnett, Charles Cramer, C. M. Buchanan and F. Protz-man. The capital stock is \$5,000,000 and it will require \$4,500,000 to build and equip the line.

#### CUBAN AFFAIRS.

Taxation of Properties Urged Rather Than Each Bag of Sugar-Features of the Electoral Commission.

HAVANA, March 25,-Governor Gen eral Wood has recently had interviews with persons of influence who have strenuously urged the taxation of valuable properties rather than each bug of sugar, as it is manufactured. who hold this view contend that under the present system impediments are thrown in the way of production. They point out that many valuable estates have been lying idle and unproductive for years, some even having complete sugar plants. The owners, who are rich men, are living in Paris, Madrid and other European cities, quite untaxed for their property in Cuba.

General Wood feels that if these prop erties are taxed, their owners will be forced either to sell them or to make them productive.

Senor Pierra, a member of the sub-committee, who drew up the majority report of the electoral commission, dis-

cussing the matter to-day, said:
"In our report we have endeavored to
arrange for the elections in such a way as to secure fair play for all concerned The plan proposed by the majority report, drawn up by Senor Tamayo and General Rivera, which suggests that the board of registry be elected by suffrage, has the drawback of leaving in the hands of the civil governors. Under the minority scheme the civil governors would nominate election officers in the various provincial districts; these officers, being charged with the conduct of the elections, would choose the electoral boards of three. In this way the civil governors would have too much individual influence in conducting the elections all the officers controlling them

would be their nominees." With regard to the representation of minorities, Senor Pierra said; though no political parties have been formed, there are two well-marked po litical tendencies, the Radical and the Conservative. Moreover, local interests will play a prominent part in the elec-For instance, in Havana the principal issue lies between the work ngmen and the land owners. former are in a majority. Nevertheles the committee has arranged so that the landholders will not be left unrepresented. The votes are to be taken ac cording to the ten existing sections into which Havana is now divided.

# COLOMBIAN REVOLUTION.

The Government Forces Are Being Hard Pressed-Prisoners Banished. KINGSTON, Jamaica, March 25,-Mall advices received from Colombia report that the revolutionists have been pressing the government and that a large number of political prisoners, taken hast week from Panama, have been banished to San

## Asked For Medicine.

BELAIR, Md., March 25,-Annie Mclivaine, a spinster aged fifty-three, who lives alone near the depot in this city, one near the depot in this city, was called to her door last night by a man who asked for medicine for toothache. When she opened the doc she was attacked, and after a struggle outraged by a negro, who fled, leaving his hat. Leads Harris, thirty-five year of ago, was soon afterward arrested and identified by Miss McDvaine and

# KENTUCKY "CONSPIRACY" INQUIRY

Will Be Resumed To-day, When Golden Will Go on the Stand for Cross-Examination.

## ONE OF ACCUSED ASSASSINS,

"Tallow Dick" Coombs, Says He Can Prove His Innocence-Military Situation Very Quiet.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 25.—The examining trial of the Republican secretary of state, Caleb Powers, will be resumed to-morrow morning. Sergeant F. Wharton Golden, who, it is alleged, turned state's evidence, will continue on the witness stand for cross-examination, his direct testimony having been concluded Saturday. When his examination is completed, Mrs. Golden, his wife, will be introduced as a witness also for the prosecution, and it is reported that she would corroborate her husband's testimony on many important points. The physicians who made the autopsy on the body of the late William E. Goebel will probably also be introduced as witnesses

If Witness Golden really goes on the stand for cross-examination to-morrow morning, the defense hopes to conclud the examining trial on Tuesday.

#### Golden Has Becovered.

Golden is the last of the prosecution's witnesses, so it has been understood. Since his illness in the court room has has completely recovered, and yester-day afternoon and this morning he has been seen on the streets. It was stated to-day that he went to Georgetown. It is thought to-night he will be able to go on the stand again to-morrow.

It is the general impression that the defense may make no effort to contro-vert Golden's statement in the examining trial. An examining judge needs to have only a reasonable suspicion of guilt to bind a prisoner over to the grand jury, and as it is evident Judge Moore has this it would be folly for the defense to show its hand before the real trial.

#### Coombs Says He is Innocent.

The whole of Golden's testimony tended to throw suspicion on "Tailow Dick" Coombs, a colored barber at Benttyville. Coombs says he can prove his innocence and is willing to go into custody if he is wanted.

Harland Whittaker (white), Dick

Coombs (colored), and numerous other persons have at various times been suspected of firing the fatal shot, but the prosecution have not yet identified the murderer.

A surprise may be sprung to-morrov by the prosecution in the introduction of Mrs. Wharton Golden, as a witness inasmuch as it has been the impression from reports sent out from Barbourville that Mrs. Golden was angry at her husband on account of his confession

## THOSE MINES

That Were Alleged to Have Been Laid Around Kentucky's Capitol Visionary-Military Situation Without Incident.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 25 .- The Republican adjutant general, Collier, to-day desied that mines were being laid around the arsenal and capitol grounds, and an explanatory communication to the Democratic assistant general Murray, Collier said that some indiscreet men at the arsenal had dug reaches and may mines to create a sensation, but the work was entirely without the sanc tion or knowledge of General Collier and the men engaged have been sharp ly reprimanded.

Notwithstanding that troops recog nizing the dual governors were quar tered within two squares of each other the Republican troops at the state ouse, under orders Governor Taylor, and the Democratic troops at the court house, prisoners Powers, Culton and Davis, under orders from Democratic Governo

Beckham, to-day was quiet, The Republican Adjutant General Collier and Democratic Assistant Adju tant General Murray were togethe ome time this morning. General Collier called to disclaim responsibility for the mine which some of the soldiers made a pretense of laying, but it is understood their talk took a wider scope and that they discussed and mutually agreed upon plans to avoid possibility of any sort of a clash between th troops.

## SINGULAR DEATH

Of a Child Caused by a Servant's Very Ill-Advised Remark.

CHICAGO, March 25.-A special to the Record from Branchville, Ind., says: Little May Corbin's death is attributed to a remark of her mother's ser nted to a remark of her mother's servant and a subsequent dream. The servant two weeks ago was preparing a turkey for roasting. "This is the way they stuff babies to bake them in New York," she said to May, who was seven years of age. That night the little girl awoke with a scream. "Mary is cooking beby brother," she cried. She became hysterical, then insone, and died yesterday, every effort to banish the ballucination having falled.

#### Rabbi Wise Sorely Stricken. CINCINNATI, O., March 25.—Rabbi

Isnac M. Wise, one of the most noted lewish rabbis in the United States, is ht lying at his bome suffering stroke of paralysis. All his fam-he city are at his bedside, and all

#### SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

Latest News Present No New Pea tures—Little Progress Being Made Towards the Relief of Mafeking. LONDON, March 26, 4:15 a. m .cept for the "occurrence," as Lord Rob-erts calls it, which resulted in the killing of Lieutenant Lygon and the wounding and capture of Lieutenant Colonel Crabbe, Lieutenant Codrington and Captain Trotter, the campaign pre-sents no new features. The mishap to the guard's officers is a testimony to their bravery, but their discretion. They met a party of five Boers whom they tried to capture. The Boers took refuge on a kopie, where three of their comrades were hidden, and within five minutes every member of the 19 itish party was hit.

Apparently little progress is being made toward the relief of Mafeking. A private telegram from a lieutenant at Kimberley, dated Wednesday, March 21, announces that he was on the point of starting for Mafeking, presumably

or starting for Mateking, presumably with the relief column. General Sir Forestier Walker and Prince Alexander of Teck have left Cape Town for Bloemfontein. It is reported from Ladysmith that Van Reen-en's Pass bristles with guns.

Mail accounts of the capture of General Cronje, just received, bring out interesting points as to the rapidity with which Lord Roberts changed his plans when he found that General Cronje had escaped from Magersfontein, where it was originally intended to attack or in on him. Lord Kitchener was sent forward to intercept him and the battle of Paardeberg Lord Kitchener seems to have shown that he is better as an organizer than as a fighter, for it was at his order that the British infantry repeated the blunders of other generals, attacking intrenched Boers, who allowed the British troops to get within a thousand yards before opening fire. As the British had absolutely no cover, they lost heavily and uselessly and were compelled to fall back momentarily with some amount of confusion and to withdraw their transport to a safe distance.

This fact makes a significant com-mentary upon the rumors that have been in circulation of some coolness between Lord Kitchener and Lord Roberts, which is said to have accounted for the former being sent to Prieska to suppress the rebellion.

#### British Casualty List.

LONDON, March 25 .- The total British losses, exclusive of the invalids sent home, are 16,418 in killed, wounded and missing

#### Prejudiced Against Horsefiesh. LONDON, March 26.-Lady Sarah Wilson in a dispatch from Mafeking, dated Wednesday, March 14, says:

"We have received news of the relief of Ladysmith, but it serves to increase our disappointment, as there is no prospect of our relief. The town re-mains closely invested. The Boers are reported to be very numerous and strongly intrenched between us and Colonel Plumer's force. Some of the natives are dying of starvation, owing to their prejudice against horse flesh.

# Churchill's Essay on War. LONDON, March 26. - Winston Churchill in a dispatch to the Morning

Post says: "It is imperative to continue shipping troops to South Africa The stream should never cease until the Boers surrender unconditionally. At the end of the war Great Britain will possess the finest army in her history. This, however, must not lure the nation from the fertile field of trade and commerce into the stony wastes of militar-

## Killed By Policeman.

BLOEMFONTEIN, Saturday, March 24.—The Boers who yesterday killed Lieutenant, the Hon. E. Lygon of the dier Guards, and wounded Lieut. Col. Crabbe, Lieut. Col. Codrington and Captain Trotter, of the Coldstream Guards, who had ridden eight or nine miles beyond their camp on the Modder river without escort, except trooper, were members of the Johannesburg mounted police. After dressing the wounded they sent them to the British camp in an ambulance.

## Dead Cats Instead of Bouquets.

BRADFORD, England, March 25 An open air meeting convened here to-day by Boer sympathizers proved an utter fiasco from their point of view and was turned into a huge patriotic demonstration. The pro-Boer speakers were unable to obtain a hearing, Dead cats and other unsavory missiles were thrown at them, and they were violently hustled on quitting the platform. Despite the presence of 120 policemen there was much disorder.

## Allies Now Foes.

LONDON, March 26.-A Blocmfontein prespondent of the Dally Telegraph in dated Friday, March 23, The late allies are now bitter So strong is the popular feeling here that, were it desirable, a large body of Free Staters would take the field and fight immediately against the Transvanlers.

## Delagoa Arbitration Judgment.

BERNE, Switzerland, March 25.-The Delagon arbitration judgment which had been announced for to-morrow, has been prepared for a few days. This is nity has not been fixed, but because of differences which arose at the moment of signing the award with respect to the distribution of the indemnity among the different groups of claimants. The amount of the indemnity has been settied, and the question of division is on of secondary importance, which will speedily be settled. It is thought almost certain that the court of arbitra-tion will finally leave the division to the parties themselves.

# YOUNG WIFE CHARGED WITH

Of Poisoning Her Husband by Administering the Fatal Doses with His Medicines.

THE CRIME

# A GOSHEN, INDIANA, TRAGED

Accused Woman Hails From Fairmont, and Said to Have a Sister Living in Wheeling.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. GOSHEN, Ind., March 25.—John Darnell, aged 22 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Darnell, a highly respected fam ily of Goshen, died early Sunday morn-ing, after a lingering illness of what attending physicians pronounced con-sumption, superinduced by a pernicious disease. The parents of the deceased assert that never has there been a case of consumption in their family. They lay the blame for all his disease at his young wife's door, and openly charge that his death was due to slow poison-ing, administered in the medicines prescribed or left by the physician, and attaching suspicion to the wife, formerly Miss Mayme Fleming, of Fair mont, W. Va., to whom he was married less than six months ago.

#### Suspicion Aroused.

Deceased had been failing gradually for several months, and his parents had taken the couple into their home that they might assist in caring for him. Their suspicions, and also the son's, were aroused by a peculiarity in the taste of the familiar medicines used, and also the unexpected results following the administration of the physician's prescriptions. The young Mrs. Darnel! was charged with being responsible for her husband's condition and the embittered husband and incensed parents finally, a few weeks ago, ordered her to leave their home. She has since been staying at homes of friends here, and at Warsaw, Ind. About the time she left her husband a \$10,000 life insurance policy with the Modern Samaritans, a local fraternal insurance organization, was changed, making his mother the beneficiary instead of his wife.

#### Most Suspicious Circumstance.

The most suspicious circumstance reflecting in the roung woman was find-ing several letters in her room from a sister at Wheeling, W. Va., saying in substance:

"Do your work and come here with your \$10,000, and we will go into busi-

The family seems loath to institute legal proceedings to substantiate the grave charge openly made to friends against the young wife, because she by some means retnined possession of incriminating letters, but an official investigation of the matter will no doubt be made. The undertaker was not permitted to embalm the body.

# **DUNLEVY WINS**

In His Suit Before the Supreme Court Against Marshall County Court.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer CHARLESTON, W. Va., March 25.— The supreme court yesterday decided the contested election case of J. W. Dunlevy against the county court of Marshall county, and S. R. Davis, in favor of Dunlevy, the Democratic claimant. The question at issue was as to whether the county court, as a can-vassing board, should count certain votes for Dunlevy, which would give him a majority. The supreme court or-pany, of Baltimore, who is looking afders the votes to be counted and the re-

## AN ACT OF MERCY.

Governor Remits Fine, Circumstance of Which are Peculiar. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., March 25,-As "an act of mercy," recommended by the judge who tried the case, and the prosecuting attorney who prosecuted it. Governor Atkinson yesterday remitted a tine of \$25 which was imposed, in the circuit court of Boone county in 1896, on L. D. Coon, now dead. Coon was indicted, but he compromised with prosecuting attorney and was fined \$25 and costs for assault. Not being able to pay the fine he was committed to jail, where he remained for a mo before his mother was able to ball him

street duel at Madison. After his death the authorities brought against his old mother on the bond and obtained a judgment against her. To nave collected this would have nec tated the sale of her little home, and she appealed for clemency, which recommended by Judge Saunders. the Boone county circuit court, to the governor.

#### Death of Capt. Flagg. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer

CHARLES TOWN, W. Va., March 25, Captain George H. Flang, one of Charles Town's most prominent citiens, died this morning at 10:30 o'clock aged sixty-eight years. On Sunday last he was stricken with apoplexy, was a gallant Confederate soldier, tering the army at the outbreak of the Second Virginia Infantry, "Stonewall's

The Best in Twenty Years. JOHN'S, N. H., March 25.-Th ealing stenmer Leopard, which took shelter at Westerville yesterday, in consequence of the storm is due to-mor-row and other steamers are expected to arrive during the day. Judging from reports thus far received the total sumber of scale actually taken by the fleet is about 295,000 and the prospect is that, as four weeks of the fishing season have yet to be run, this total will be increased by some sixty thousand. As the entire catch last year was only 247,000, this year's figures promise to be the best within twenty years.

#### TEN THOUSAND EMPLOYES

Of Berwyand-White Coal Company Made Happy By Advance in Wages.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 25.-In accordance with their notice posted shortly after January 1, 1900, promising an advance to their employes to take effect April 1, 1900, the Berwynd-White Coal Mining Company to-day notified all its miners of a general advance of 20 per cent. The miners are now placed upon a basis of sixty cents per gross ton and all day labor increased accordingly. This advance will make tha wages the highest paid during the past thirty years and in some instances the highest that have ever existed by near

ly 7 per cent.
The Berwynd-White Company have made their advances voluntarily, start-ing with the upper tendencies of the market in January, 1899. Since that time and including this advance they have advanced the general mining rate 33% per cent and the machine mining rate 50 per cent. The company has over 10,000 employes.

#### Prosperity in the South.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 25.— The York cotton mills, of Yorkville, this state, have announced that they would on next pay day, take 3 per cent from the annual dividend and add it to the wages of the operatives. The wages of some employes recently were increased These were not included in the present increase.

#### SHIPWRECKED SHAMEN

And Stranded Colonists Arrive in New York-Two Ships Were Lost.

NEW YORK, March 25 .- Among the passengers who arrived to-day on the steamer Olinda, from Cuban ports, were thirty stranded colonists from La Gloria and twenty-five shipwrecked seamen. Twenty of the latter are from the Norwegian steamer Framnes, which was swept ashore by currents on Hogsty reef in the Bahamas, on the night of March 2, and became a total loss as already reported.

The crew landed on the reef with provisions and the chief officer and four seamen put off in a boat to go to Inagua for assistance. They were picked up by the steamer Admiral Schley and landed at Fortune Island. A small schooner was chartered and sent for the crew, who were brought to Fortune Island. The shipwrecked men were forwarded to this port Norwegian consul. Captain Thorbiernsen stayed at Fortune Island to look after the owner's interests. The other five shipwrecked seamen embarked at Nuevitas. They were from the American schooner Hattle Godfrey, which was lost on Romano reef while on the voyage from Baracoa for Havana. The schooner was a total loss

# Lime Manufacturers Combine.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 25 .- The leading lime manufacturers of the south have just completed the details of the combination to be known as the Consolidated Lime Company, a corporation organized under the laws of New Jersey with a capital stock of \$3,000,000. It will control every kiln south of Virginia and east of Tex-as except five. The annual output of ter the financial end of the company, states that the organization completed and in operation by May He is authority for the statement that the price of lime will not be raised.

## WIRE WHISPERS

The United States auxiliary cruises and training ship Dixle left Algiers yesterday for Naples.

The quarterly settlement is making musual demands upon the Germany soney market at Berlin.

Letters received from Samuel I. Clemens (Mark Twain) say that he sad his family will soon return to Hartford. Conn. and take up their permanent from there.

home there.

The United States auxiliary cru
Prairle, sailed from Rouen, France,
this country, yesterday. An imme
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The immual report of John McMskin, New York state superintendent of labor statistics, says the building outlook in New York city is very good, plans having been filed last December for 2,083 buildings, to cost \$28,755,000.

John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalist party in the house of commons, Mr. T. P. O'Connor and Timothy Healy addressed an important Irish demonstration at Liverpool yesterday. Congrutulating Irishmen upon the re-

Congrutulating Irishmen upon the re-union, Mr. Redmond said they had met under happy nuspices for the first time in a decade, and he declared that he stood upon the same platform as Mossrs O'Connor and Nesly.

## Weather Forecast

Oblo-Rain Monday except fair and warmer in southwest portion, probably now near Lake Erie. Tuesday, fair; fresh asterly winds. winds.
rn Pennsylvania—Rain in southow or rain in northern portion on
Tuesday, fair: fresh east to south wirds.
West Virginia-Rain Monday. Tuesday, fair; easterly winds.

#### Local Temperature. The temperature Saturday, as registered by C. Schnepf, druggist, corner of Market

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